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SUBJECT: US CHINA POLICY: PROPOSED VISIT OF DEFECTOR FAN
TO U.S.

1. THE INVITATION EXTENDED BY EIGHT U.S. CONGRESSMEN OF THE
AMERICAN CONSERVATIVE UNION FOR PILOT DEFECTOR FAN YUAN-YEN TO
VISIT THE U.S. PRIOR TO SECRETARY VANCE'S PEKING TRIP, AND
FAN'S SUBSEQUENT TO THIS INVITATION RECEIVED PROMINENT
COVERAGE IN LOCAL CHINESE AND ENGLISH LANGUAGE PRESS.
FOLLOWING ARE TEXTS OF THE TWO RELATED STORIES.

2. THE CHINA NEWS, AUGUST 5, UNDER HEADLINE QUOTE 8
CONGRESSMEN INVITE FAN TO VISIT U.S. UNQUOTE. BEGIN TEXT:

EIGHT MEMBERS OF THE U.S. CONGRESS WHO SERVE ON
THE BOARD OF THE AMERICAN CONSERVATIVE UNION ON THURSDAY
INVITED FAN YUAN-YEN, THE MAINLAND CHINESE PILOT WHO DEFECTED
TO TAIPEI, TO VISIT THE UNITED STATES.
REPRESENTATIVE PHILIP M. CRANE, ACU CHAIRMAN, SAID, QUOTE
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IT IS APPARENT THAT THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION INTENDS TO
RECOGNIZE THE GOVERNMENT IN PEIPING AND WITHDRAW
RECOGNITION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA ON
TAIWAN...

IT IS OUR HOPE THAT BY INVITING COL. FAN TO THIS COUNTRY,
WE CAN BRING HOME TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE THE TOTALITARIAN

NATURE OF THE REGIME WHOSE FAVOR MR. CARTER IS CURRYING
AND THEREBY RALLY THE PUBLIC AGAINST A RAPPROCHEMENT WITH
PEIPING. END QUOTE

IN THEIR LETTER TO FAN, THE MEMBERS SAID HIS ASSISTANCE
COULD BE CRUCIAL IN MOBILIZING OPINION TO PREVENT
RECOGNITION OF THE QUOTE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA UNQUOTE.
THEY SUGGESTED THE BEST TIME FOR HIM TO COME WOULD BE
QUOTE DURING THE WEEK OF AUG. 15, SHORTLY BEFORE SECRETARY
OF STATE CYRUS VANCE EMBARKS ON HIS DIPLOMATIC MISSION TO
MEET WITH COMMUNIST LEADERS IN PEIPING UNQUOTE. END TEXT.

3. THE CHINA POST, UNDER FRONT-PAGE HEADLING QUOTE FAN
GRATEFUL, BUT U.S. VISIT TO BE DELAYED UNQUOTE. BEGIN TEXT:

LT. COL. FAN YUAN-YEN, THE FORMER COMMUNIST SQUADRON
COMMANDER WHO DEFECTED AND LANDED HIS MIG 19 AT TAINAN
ON JULY 7, EXPRESSED HIS GRATITUDE FOR THE INVITATIONS
SENT BY EIGHT REPUBLICAN CONGRESSMEN FOR HIM TO VISIT
THE UNITED STATES IN THE MIDDLE OF AUG. BEFORE
THE VISIT OF CYRUS VANCE, U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE, TO
PEIPING.

IN RESPONSE TO THE INVITATION, A PRESS CONFERENCE WAS HELD
BY FAN YESTERDAY EVENING AT THE GOVERNMENT INFORMATION
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE YUAN.
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AFTER LONG CONSIDERATION, FAN TOLD LOCAL REPORTERS THAT
HE HAS ALREADY SENT A LETTER TO VANCE ASKING HIM TO HELP
HIS FAMILY ON THE MAINLAND TO COME TO TAIWAN WHICH MAY
ALREADY HAVE CAUSED THE U.S. GOVERNMENT SOME EMBARRASSMENT.
QUOTE SO I THINK ANY VISIT HAD BETTER BE APPROVED BY THE
U.S. GOVERNMENT, UNQUOTE HE SAID.

QUOTE I VERY MUCH APPRECIATE THE EFFORTS OF THE EIGHT

CONGRESSMEN WHO INVITED ME TO GO TO THE UNITED STATES,
BUT THIS ONE PREREQUISITE FOR THE TRIP MUST BE FORTHCOMING
SO AS NOT TO FURTHER TROUBLE THE U.S. GOVERNMENT, BECAUSE
SO FAR I HAVE NOT RECEIVED A FORMAL ANSWER TO MY
REQUEST ON MY FAMILY.

IF THERE IS NO FORMAL INVITATION FROM THE UNITED STATES
GOVERNMENT, I THINK I WOULD RATHER TO DO SOMETHING
SIGNIFICANT AT HOME AND PAY THE VISIT LATER. UNQUOTE.

THE FORMER COMMUNIST PILOT SAID IF THE U.S. GOVERNMENT
IS WILLING TO INVITE HIM, HE WILL GO IMMEDIATELY. END TEXT.

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